**Foreign Nationals in Jails without Trial**

4038. SHRIMATI DILKUMARI BHANDARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of foreign nationals arrested under Section 14 of Foreign Nationals Act have been lodged in different jails without trial in Meghalaya and Assam; and

(b) if so, the details of such persons as on November 30, 1991, and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). According to the information available as on February 1991, no foreign nationals were lodged in the jails of Meghalaya and Assam under section 14 of the Foreigners Act, 1946.

**Harassment to Indians Speaking Nepali Language in North East States**

4039. SHRIMATI DILKUMARI BHANDARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the Indian nationals who speak Nepali Language are harassed at checkposts and their movements are curtailed in some of the North Eastern States;

(b) if so, whether Government have received representations from the aggrieved people for removal of such harassment; and

(c) if so, the action taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The Government have received representation from the organisation of Nepalis alleging harassment of the Nepali Speaking Indian citizens at check posts.

(c) The State Government of Assam have issued instructions to all the Deputy Commissioners/Superintendents of Police to ensure that no innocent persons are harassed at the check gates.

**News-Item Captioned "Neglect, Apathy by Civic Bodies"**

4040. SHRI RAJNATH SONKAR SHASTRI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Neglect, apathy by civic bodies" appearing in the Indian Express dated November 5, 1991;

(b) if so, the details of the points raised therein; and

(c) the steps the Government propose to take to rectify the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Cases Registered against M.C.D. by Delhi Police**

4041. SHRI RAJNATH SONKAR SHASTRI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of cases have

been registered by Delhi Police against Municipal Corporation of Delhi for causing deaths and injuries due to negligence of their officials during the last 12 months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any case relating to deaths caused due to open manholes in Delhi has also been registered during last six months;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action Government propose to take against those responsible for such lapses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

**Killings in Punjab**

4042. SHRI RAJNATH SONKAR SHASTRI:
PROF. ASHOK ANANDRAO DESHMUKH:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of militants, policemen and citizens killed in Punjab during the last three years;

(b) whether any financial assistance has been given to the next-of-kin-of these victims by the Government; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) According to available information, 4978 civilians, 1,119 police personnel and 4,055 militants have been killed during the last three years. (January 1989 to November 1991)

(b) and (c). The Government of Punjab have formulated a scheme and according to which an ex-gratia grant of Rs. 50,000/- to the next of kin-of persons killed in terrorists violence is paid. Widows of the deceased persons are also allowed subsistence allowance of Rs. 1,000/- per month till one member of the family is absorbed in Government service. Injured persons are paid an ex-gratia grant of Rs. 5,000/- plus total reimbursement of expenditure on indoor treatment. A lumpsum grant of Rs. 50,000/- is paid in case of 100% disability. A compensation up to Rs. one lakh is paid for the loss of property. Marriage grant of Rs. 10,000/- is paid for the marriage of daughter and sister of person killed. Facility of loan at concessional rates and free education to the children of victims of terrorist violence are also extended.

**International Institute of Energy Conservation**

4043. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI:
SHRIMATI DILKUMARI BHANDARI:
SHRI K. PRADHANI:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Institute of Energy Conservation has suggested, for saving of huge amount of electricity, that the electricity boards supply to farmers high energy efficient motors and pumps for irrigation free of cost to replace existing inefficient ones;